

**From:** David Polish/R3/USEPA/US  
**Sent:** 12/5/2011 3:36:09 PM  
**To:** Trish Taylor/R3/USEPA/US  
**CC:**  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: Dimock reply

Trish,

Thanks. I haven't received any but will use it if I do.

Very respectfully,

David Polish

"I've noticed that even people who claim everything is predestined, and that we can do nothing to change it, look before they cross the road." Steven Hawking

**From:** Trish Taylor/R3/USEPA/US  
**To:** David Polish/R3/USEPA/US@EPA  
**Date:** 12/05/2011 03:02 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: Dimock reply

Hi David,

Tomorrow a.m. I plan to send this approved message back to residents that have emailed me asking for clarification on the Dec 2nd email that went out.  
FYI, in case you're getting emails too.  
Thx.

call if any ?s  
Cell: 215) 514-2732

Trish Taylor, Community Involvement Coordinator  
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 3  
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**To:** Trish Taylor/R3/USEPA/US  
**From:** David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US  
**Date:** 12/05/2011 11:10AM  
**Cc:** Michael DAndrea/R3/USEPA/US@EPA  
**Subject:** Fw: from AP

Hi Trish,

For what it's worth, here's a statement we sent to AP, Greenwire, and The News Herald in response to inquiries.

David  
----- Forwarded by David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US on 12/05/2011 11:05 AM -----

From: David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US  
To: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>  
Date: 12/02/2011 05:05 PM  
Subject: Re: from AP

No. What we are saying is that based on our preliminary evaluation of sampling data that was provided to us by residents and PADEP for wells in Dimock, we have not identified any "imminent and substantial endangerment" which would trigger EPA to take emergency action under the Safe Drinking Water Act. We are continuing to review the data.

David Sternberg  
Press Officer  
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"Rubinkam, Michael" ---12/02/2011 12:02:27 PM---Is EPA saying the unfiltered water coming from the wells meets federal drinking water standards and

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>  
To: David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US@EPA  
Date: 12/02/2011 12:02 PM  
Subject: Re: from AP

Is EPA saying the unfiltered water coming from the wells meets federal drinking water standards and is safe to drink?

Mike

**From:** Sternberg.David@epamail.epa.gov [<mailto:Sternberg.David@epamail.epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 02, 2011 10:51 AM  
**To:** Rubinkam, Michael  
**Subject:** Re: from AP

Mike,

EPA has sent the following message to residents of Dimock explaining the agency's official position.

Dear Dimock Residents,

This email is a follow-up to the visits to Dimock area homes by EPA on November 10, 2011 and the subsequent review of well sampling data for wells impacted by the Cabot Oil and Gas Company drilling activities. EPA has conducted a preliminary review and screening of the data provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and residents. While we are continuing our review, to date, the data does not indicate that the well water presents an immediate health threat to users. EPA will continue to review available information related to the concerns of Dimock area residents. We are continuing to work with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania going forward on this issue.

Please feel free to call me or David Polish, Community Involvement Coordinator, at (215) 814-3327, if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Trish Taylor, Community Involvement Coordinator  
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Regarding correspondence with PADEP, EPA and PADEP are in contact on this matter on a regular basis.

Activation under CERCLA in Dimock is not under consideration at this time.

David Sternberg  
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From: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>  
To: David Sternberg/R3/USEPA/US@EPA  
Date: 12/01/2011 11:16 AM  
Subject: from AP

David,  
Just left you a voice message. Please give me a call at your earliest convenience. Thanks.  
Mike

Michael Rubinkam

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